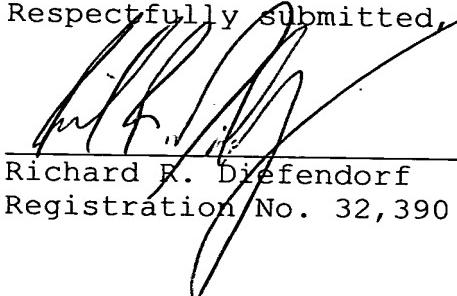


REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being filed in order to round out the coverage provided by the claims of this application.

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